

# **CLEAN WATER COUNCIL**

## **Meeting Highlights**

### **November 20, 2001**

#### **Location**

N.J. Environmental Infrastructure Trust, 3131 Princeton Pike, Lawrenceville

#### **Attendees**

See attached attendance list.

#### **Highlights Summary**

##### ***CWC Public Hearing Format***

- The public hearing is scheduled for December 12, 2001 at 4:00 pm at the Holiday Inn in Jamesburg.
- Suzanne Dice-Goldberg will be the Moderator.

#### **Action Item**

- Presenters need to be chosen for the hearing.
- Pam Goodwin will follow-up with Pat Matarazzo to lock in Presenters.
- Pat Matarazzo will also need to follow-up with Kerry Kirk Pflugh on the status of the Presenters.

##### ***CWC Web Site***

- Pam Goodwin suggested that the CWC web site be linked to the Department's web site. Similar to the way the Clean Air Council's is linked.

#### **Action Items**

- The State's Web Master will have to be contacted so that the link can be made.
- Suzanne Dice Goldberg will provide the email address to Pam Goodwin.

##### ***Source Water Assessment Program Update***

- Karen Fell from the Department's Bureau of Safe Drinking Water provided the Council with an update on the Source Water Assessment Program.
- A copy of her presentation is enclosed.
- Geese are a major problem with contamination.
- A BMP Manual is available on Goose Management.

- The CWC would like to see the Department take a more aggressive approach to goose management.
- There is currently no scientific evidence available to the Department that links water contamination and geese.
- EPA will provide funding.
- The CWC would like to know how this information is to be used.
- Protocol needs to be linked to this assessment and Safe Drinking Water Standards and Health Departments.
- There is no local involvement from the municipalities, counties, water purveyors or health departments.

### **Action Items**

- Liz Semple will follow-up Tom Schuller in Maryland to see if they have any evidence that links water contamination to geese.
- Lou Neely will draft a letter outlining the CWC's concerns with the program.
- Lou will distribute the draft memo for discussion at the next CWC meeting.
- 5 in favor - none opposed

### ***Stormwater Rules Update***

- Liz Semple from the Department's Division of Watershed Management provided the Council with an update on the Stormwater Rules.
- The Stormwater Management Rules and the Stormwater Permitting Rules are two separate rules.
- The Stormwater Management Rules will provide :
  - New development runoff requirements
  - Regional stormwater management plans
  - Updated Stormwater BMP Manual
- The rules will promote ground water recharge of runoff - maintaining state hydrology.
- Completion of the first draft of the BMP Manual is expected in February 2002.
- Proposal of the Stormwater Management Rules is expected in March 2002.
- New Performance Standards will be in the Stormwater proposal.